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# PSYCHOLOGICAL FACTORS RELATING TO THE BIG FOUR MEETING

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## I. Factors - The extent and ramification of their impact.

### A. Fears

1. War
2. Atomic Weapons
3. Soviet Military Aggression
4. Western Colonialism
5. United States Economic Imperialism
6. Communist Subversion
7. United States Air Bases around Soviet
8. Paris Pact and rearming of Western Germany
9. Loss of Colonies -- Old and New

### B. Hopes

1. Peace
2. Freedom -- Liberation
3. Neutralism
4. Coexistence
5. Economic Development and Rising Standards of Living.
6. Health, Education and Cultural Advancement
7. Unification -- Germany, Korea
8. Too great expectancy in the results of the Big Four Meeting.
9. Too much hope in personal contacts with top Soviet Leaders.
10. Austrian Treaty

### C. Issues

1. Disarmament
2. Banning Atomic Weapons
3. Rearming of Western Germany
4. United States Bases around the Soviet
5. Subversion
6. Neutrality

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*Soviet surprises and expectancy - US withdrawal  
East-West trade  
3. Power over existing powers to have a  
from position  
4. We can't control Fr. - Br. - Germany*

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**I. Factors (Contd.)**

**C. Issues (Contd.)**

7. Reunification of Germany
- ✓ 8. Liberation of Soviet Satellites
9. Need of the Soviet System to have an "enemy"  
and maintain a state of "international tension."  
(See J. P. Whitney's article)
10. Participation of Communist China

**II. Areas**

Where public opinion on these issues will have a major impact on the deliberation at the conference.

1. United States
2. West Europe and Great Britain
3. Soviet
4. East European Satellites

**Note:**

The material should be treated two ways: first, factor by factor, and second, summarized area by area.

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